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SONIC
THE HEDGEHOG

SONIC AND AMY THE HEDGEHOGS AND KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA ARE TRAPPED IN A NEW LOCATION WITHOUT EXPLANATION. HOLD ON TIGHT! THERE'S NO TIME FOR RELAXATION BECAUSE WE'VE GOTTA GO FAST!

THIS IS ANOTHER FINE MESS YOU'VE GOTTEN US INTO, SONIC!

ME? HOW DO YOU FIGURE THAT, KNUCKLES?

DING
DING

YEAH!
THIS HAS TO BE ONE OF DOCTOR EGGMAN'S TRAPS. SONIC DIDN'T BRING US HERE.

no thanks
for the **Part Two**
memories!

CELEBRATING 15 YEARS OF SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

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THINK ABOUT IT, AMY.

NONE OF US WOULD BE HERE IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOUR BOYFRIEND.

I'M NOT HER "BOYFRIEND."

DING

DING

DING



"IF SONIC HADN'T INVOKED CHAOS CONTROL DURING A BATTLE AGAINST EGGMAN ON OUR WORLD..."

I HAVE ALL THE CHAOS EMERALDS NOW, EGGMAN!

GIVE UP OR FACE THE CONSEQUENCES!

"...WE WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN SUCKED THROUGH A DIMENSIONAL RIFT AND TRAPPED ON EARTH!"

WHAT'S THAT?

I HOPE SONIC'S ALL RIGHT.



WHATEVER'S HAPPENING, IT'S SONIC'S FAULT!

*THIS HAPPENED IN THE FIRST EPISODE OF THE SONIC X TV SHOW.



SO WHAT SHOULD I DO?

LET EGGMAN GET AWAY WITH CONQUERING OUR WORLD AND EARTH?

WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE YOU?



ALMOST EVERY TIME YOU GET INTO A FIGHT WITH EGGMAN, YOUR FRIENDS GET MIXED UP IN IT, TOO!

SOME DAY, ONE OR MORE OF US MAY NOT SURVIVE ONE OF YOUR BATTLES!

SONIC DIDN'T START THIS WAR. IT ALL BEGAN WHEN EGGMAN TRIED TO CONQUER OUR HOME.

I WON'T LET HIM CONQUER ANY PLANET I LIVE ON!

BELIEVE ME--IF
EGGMAN LEFT US
ALL ALONE, I'D
HAVE NO REASON
TO FIGHT WITH
HIM.

HA HA HA!

EGG-
MAN!

HA
HA
HA!

KNUCKLES,
WAIT! THAT'S
NOT DOCTOR
EGGMAN!

BAM

ZAP

HA
HA
HA!

YOW!

HA
HA
HA!

HA
HA
HA!

LOOKS
LIKE WE
GRABBED YOU
JUST IN
TIME!

HA
HA
HA!

MEANWHILE, CHRISTOPHER THORNDYKE AND HIS GRANDFATHER CHUCK SEARCH FOR SONIC, KNUCKLES, AND THE OTHER OTHER-WORLDFLY FRIENDS AT THE TEMPLE OF THE MASTER EMERALD ON ANGEL ISLAND.

SO THAT'S IT? SONIC, AMY, TAILS, EVEN KNUCKLES--THEY ALL LEAVE EARTH WITHOUT EVEN SAYING GOOD-BYE?

I'M GOING TO BE ALL ALONE AGAIN.

NOT ALL ALONE, CHRIS.

I'M STILL HERE.

DO YOU THINK THEY ALL WENT BACK TO THEIR HOME PLANET, GRANDPA?

IT'S POSSIBLE.

WHY WOULD THEY LEAVE WITHOUT TELLING ME?

MAYBE THEY DIDN'T HAVE A CHOICE. MAYBE THEY JUST VANISHED, LIKE VECTOR, ESPY, AND CHARMY.*

BUT I DON'T THINK THEY'VE LEFT. MY SCANNER IS PICKING UP THE ENERGY SIGNATURE OF THE MASTER EMERALD-- AND IT'S STILL ON EARTH!

IF WE FIND THE MASTER EMERALD, THEN WE'LL FIND KNUCKLES! HE'D NEVER LEAVE WITHOUT IT!

AND HE MAY KNOW WHERE SONIC AND THE OTHERS ARE!

BEEP BEEP

BEEP BEEP

*AS SEEN IN THE LAST ISSUE

KNUCKLES IS WITH SONIC AND AMY, BUT NONE OF THEM KNOW WHERE THEY ARE.

HERE, TAKE A COUPLE OF THESE.

WHY?

THEY PROTECT YOU FROM GETTING HURT.

LET'S WRAP THIS UP!

HA HA HA!

HA HA HA!

POW
POW
POW
POW

THIS WOULD BE EASIER IF I HAD MY HAMMER!

HA HA HA!

WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR HAMMER?

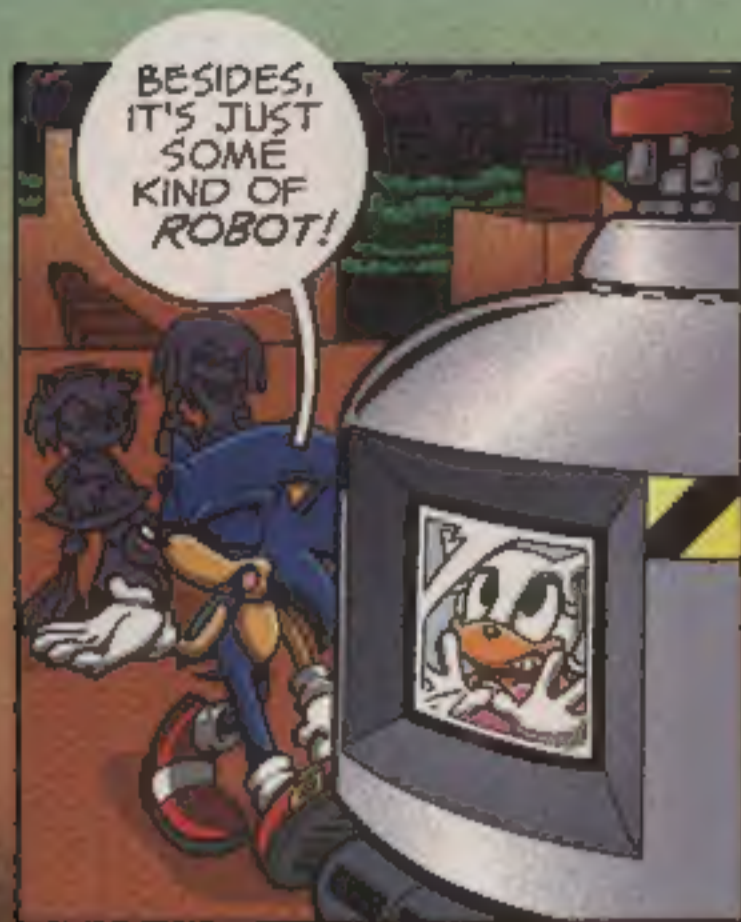
EVER SINCE I GOT TO THIS PLACE, I CAN'T FEEL IT ANYMORE.


HA HA HA!

GET HIM!

BOOM!

DON'T BOTHER. YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO CATCH HIM.





DOES THIS
MAKE US
ENGAGED
NOW?

NOT IN
A HUNDRED
MILLION
YEARS!

YOU KNOW HOW TO SWIM
NOW, OR YOU WOULDN'T HAVE
BEEN ABLE TO UNDERTAKE THE
PRESIDENT'S MISSION A
WHILE BACK.*

THAT
DOESN'T
MEAN I LIKE
WATER!

*IT HAPPENED
IN ISSUE # 2

WHEN I DID THE
MISSION FOR THE
PRESIDENT, I HAD
DIVING GEAR.
I DON'T THIS
TIME.

DON'T
WORRY,
SONIC.
WE'LL
PROTECT
YOU!

I HATE WATER.
I HATE WATER.
I HATE WATER.

YIKES!

BLAST!
THE WATER'S
SLOWING
ME WAY
DOWN!

THOSE
FISHBOTS
GOT BY ME!

OUCH!



BLOOD
BLOOD

RUNNING
OUT OF
AIR!

I WISH I
HADN'T DROPPED
MY RING!

I
WONDER
WHAT
THIS
DOES...?

GASP GASP

I GUESS I
SHOULDN'T
HAVE STEPPED
ON THAT
BUTTON!

WHOOOSH!

HA
HA
HA!

HA HA HA!

I THINK
THERE'S A
WAY OUT
OVERHEAD.

HA
HA
HA!

WHAT
HAPPENED
?

WELL,
HURRY!
THE WATER'S
ABOUT TO
OVERTAKE
US!

THERE'S
THAT FAKE
EGG MAN,
BUT I CAN'T
REACH HIM
TO BOP
HIM!

SPLASH!

I CAN'T
FLY FOR
SOME
REASON.

MEANWHILE, AT THE SOUTH POLE, WHERE DR. EGGMAN IS HIDING OUT ABOARD HIS EGG CARRIER...

WHEEEEEEE!
ISN'T THIS A
HOOT!?!

WE DON'T
KNOW, YOU
WON'T LET
US PLAY.

THIS PROGRAM
DOESN'T HAVE A
CONTINUE UNLESS
SONIC ENTERS THE
SPECIAL STAGE.

SINCE HE
HASN'T DONE THAT,
I DON'T DARE LET
YOU BUNGLING
BOTS FOUL UP
MY GAME!

THE BOSS
SEEMS EVEN MORE
INCOHERENT THAN
USUAL, BOCOE.

I DON'T THINK
A DICTIONARY IS
GOING TO HELP
US THIS TIME,
DECOE.

I DON'T CARE. HE'S
TOO DISTRACTED
TO NOTICE THAT I'M
EATING ALL THIS
NUTBALL CRUNCH
ICE CREAM. YUM!

WE STILL
DON'T
UNDER-
STAND.

THE POINT
OF THIS
SCHEME.

I AM GOING TO
PERMANENTLY
REMOVE SONIC
AND ALL HIS FURRY
LITTLE FRIENDS
FROM THIS PLANET
ONCE AND FOR ALL

THEN *NOTHING* CAN STAND IN THE WAY OF ME CONQUERING THIS PATHETIC PLANET! HAHAHAHA HAHA!

BUT HOW EXACTLY DOES THIS DEATH TRAP WORK?

SIGH IT'S SIMPLE, REALLY.

I HAVE TRAPPED SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS IN A DEADLY VIRTUAL REALITY WORLD THAT IS POWERED BY THE MASTER EMERALD.

BY THE TIME THEY REACH THE FINAL LEVEL OF THE TRAP, THEY WILL HAVE EXPENDED SO MUCH ENERGY THAT IT WILL OVERLOAD THE CIRCUITS OF OUR SECRET WAR. THEN THEY AND THE TRAP WILL BE BLOWN TO KINGDOM COME (OR AT LEAST THE MOON), SOLVING WHAT HAS BEEN AN INFINITE CRISIS ACROSS MULTIPLE EARTHS AND WILL LEAD TO THE LUL MATE HOUSE OF EGGMAN!

THAT DOESN'T SOUND SIMPLE TO ME, DECOE.

MAYBE HE'S USING A *DICTERENT* DICTIONARY THAN YOU, BOCOE.

WOULDN'T IT BE SIMPLER JUST TO BLOW THEM UP DIRECTLY?

IT MIGHT BE, BUT THIS CONTROLLER HELPS ME DEVELOP MY *HAND/EYE* COORDINATION.

OOOOO! THEY'RE ALMOST TO THE STAR LIGHT LEVEL!


BOKKUN! ARE YOU EATING MY NUTBALL CRUNCH?!

EEP!




WHERE DID THAT
ERSATZ
EGGMAN
GO?

HE
DISAPPEARED
AS SOON AS I
GOT TO THE
TOP OF THE
CAVERN.



WHERE
DO WE GO
NOW?




I DON'T KNOW.
I JUST *KEEP*
GOING.



DO YOU SMELL
SOMETHING
BURNING?



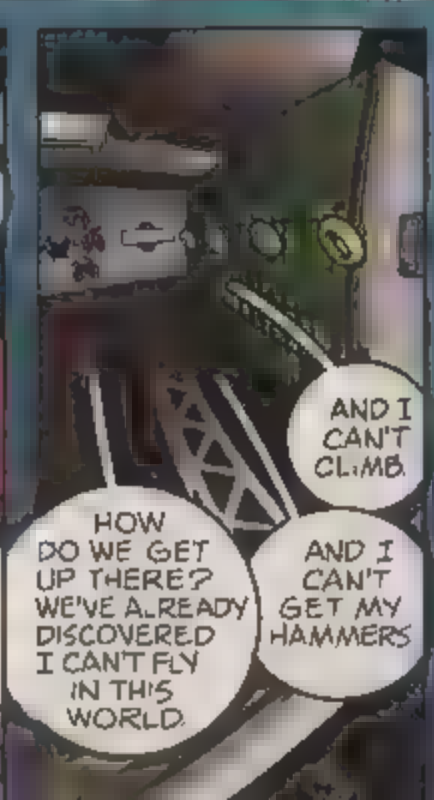
**BOOM
BOOM
BOOM!**



I GUESS
WE'VE GOT
TO BE ON THE
LOOKOUT FOR
BOMBS.

YOU
THINK?


I THOUGHT
*I WAS THE
HOT STUFF*
AROUND
HERE.



HOW
DO WE GET
UP THERE?
WE'VE ALREADY
DISCOVERED
I CAN'T FLY
IN THIS
WORLD.

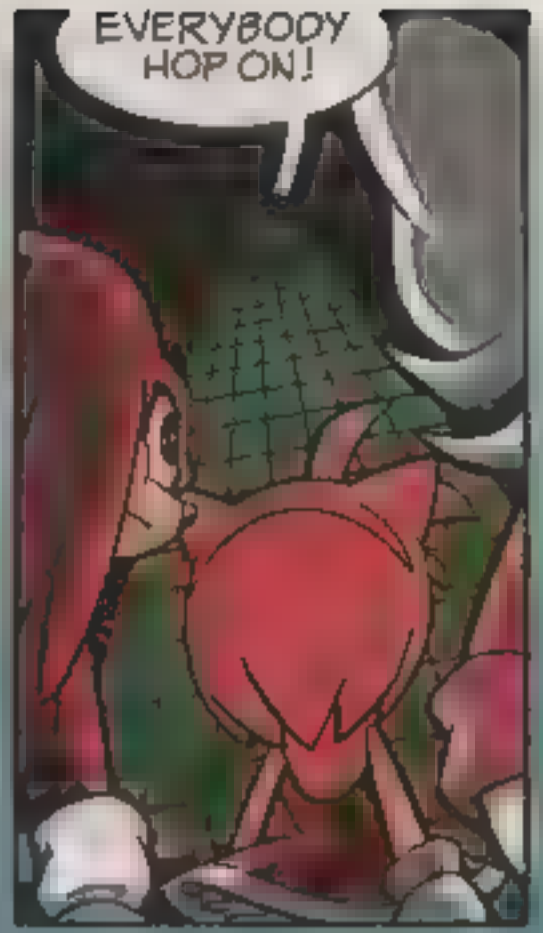
AND I
CAN'T
CLIMB.

AND I
CAN'T
GET MY
HAMMERS



SOMEONE
JUMP ON
THE OTHER
END.

I HAVE
AN IDEA...





TAILS!

WE'LL
SAVE YOU
BLDDY!



GOTCHA!



BOY, AM I
GLAD TO SEE
YOU GUYS! I'VE
BEEN TRAPPED
HERE FOR
HOURS



HAVE YOU LEARNED
ANYTHING ABOUT THIS
PLACE?

UNTIL I
SAW YOU GUYS,
I THOUGHT IT
WAS ALL HAPPENING
IN MY HEAD--LIKE
A BAD DREAM.

DO YOU
THINK
IT COULD
BE SOME
KIND OF
VIRTUAL
REALITY
MIND
GAME?

IT
COULD
BE,
ROJGE

HA HA
HA!

THEN
HOW DO
WE GET
OUT OF
HERE?

WE HAVE
OTHER THINGS
TO WORRY ABOUT
RIGHT NOW!



MEANWHILE, THE X-TORNADO CLOSSES IN ON THE MASTER EMERALD'S ENERGY TRANSMISSIONS.



THE SCANNER SHOWS THAT THE MASTER EMERALD IS IN THAT BUILDING!



THAT'S EGGMAN'S OLD LAIR!

I THOUGHT IT GOT BLOWN UP!

SO DID A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE!

HEH
HEH
HEH!

I'M
WINNING!

BUT THEY
JUST BLEW
UP YOUR GRAND-
FATHER'S
SHIP!

IT'S JUST A *SPRITE* DESIGNED
TO LOOK LIKE MY *GRANDFATHER*
ROBOTNIK--THE GENIUS WHO
INVENTED THE TECHNOLOGY ON
WHICH I BASED THIS BRILLIANT
TRAP!

BESIDES--LOOK AT
THE *POWER METER*...

SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS
HAVE EXPENDED SO MUCH
ENERGY THAT THEY ARE AT
THE DANGER LEVEL.

BY MY
CALCULATIONS,
ONE MORE MAJOR
BATTLE WILL PUSH
THEM OVER THE
EDGE...

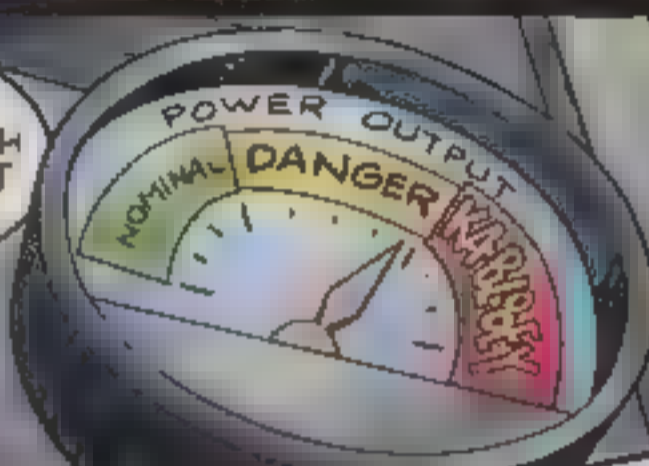
...AND THEY
WILL BE
SENT TO
THE MOON!

AND ONCE
I TRANSFORM
THE MOON INTO
THE EGGMOON,
THEY WILL BE
DESTROYED
ONCE AND
FOR ALL!

AND IF
WE DO GET
OUT, WHERE
WILL WE
BE?

HOPEFULLY
SOME PLACE
COZY WHERE
A GIRL CAN
GET TO KNOW
A BOY
BETTER.

IS THERE ANY
WAY OUT OF THIS
PLACE?



ALL I KNOW
S WE HAVE TO
FIND A WAY
OUT OF HERE.

AND THAT WE ALL
HAVE TO BE CAREFUL
BECAUSE NONE OF US
HAVE ANY RINGS LEFT

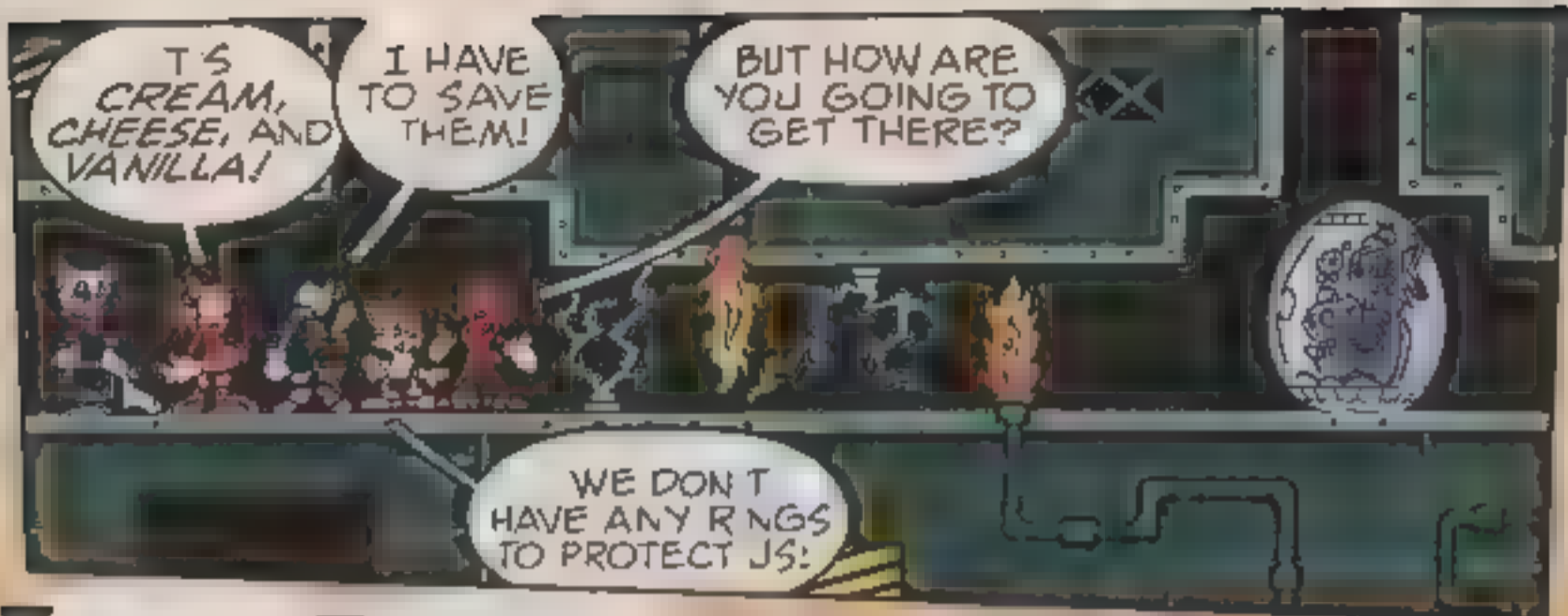
LOOK
OUT!

THIS IS
NOT MY IDEA
OF HAVING
A BALL!

POOF
POOF

SONIC!
LOOK!



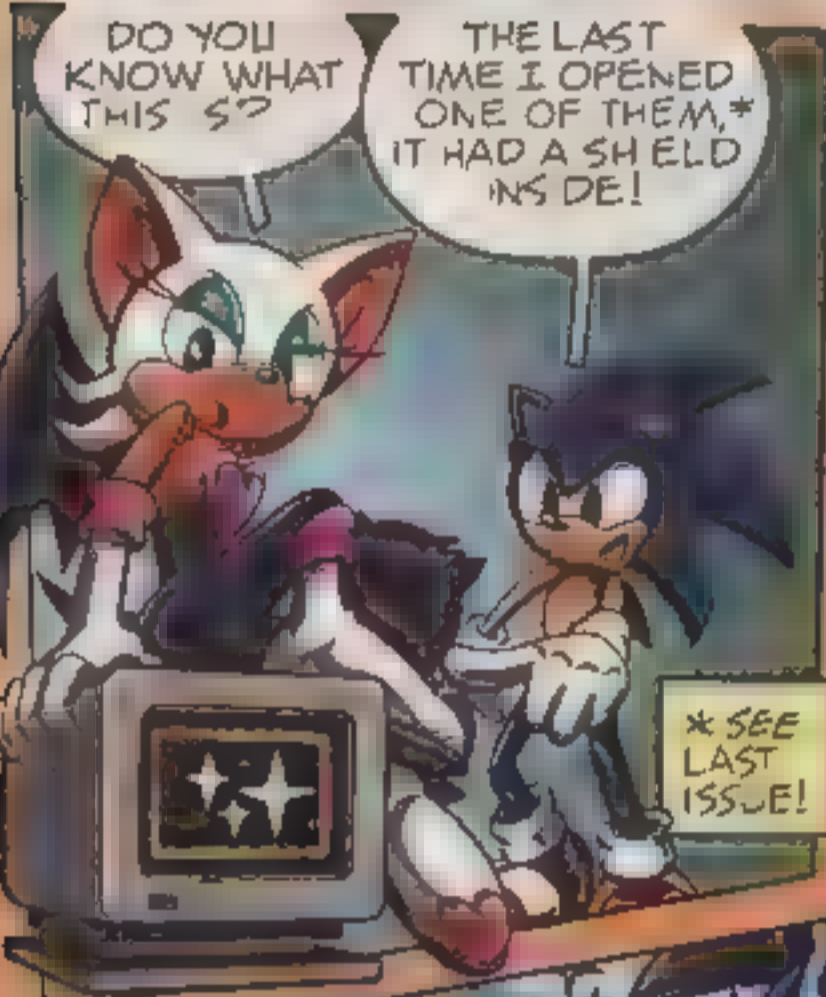


IT'S CREAM, CHEESE, AND VANILLA!

I HAVE TO SAVE THEM!

BUT HOW ARE YOU GOING TO GET THERE?

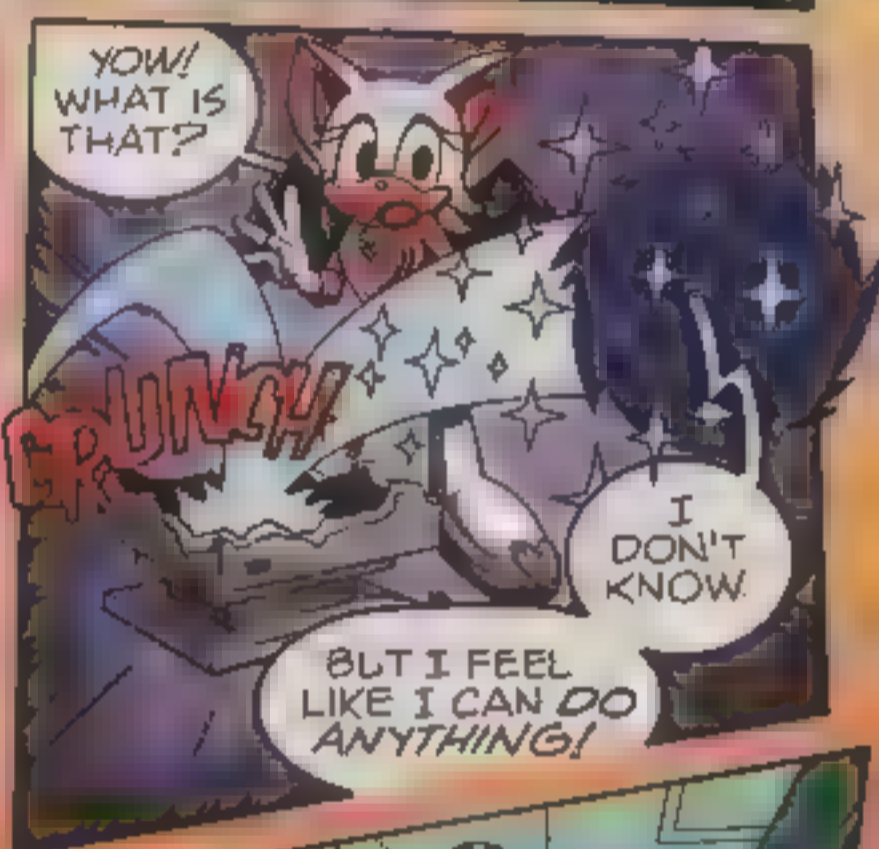
WE DON'T HAVE ANY RINGS TO PROTECT US!



DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS?

THE LAST TIME I OPENED ONE OF THEM, IT HAD A SHIELD INSIDE!

* SEE LAST ISSUE!



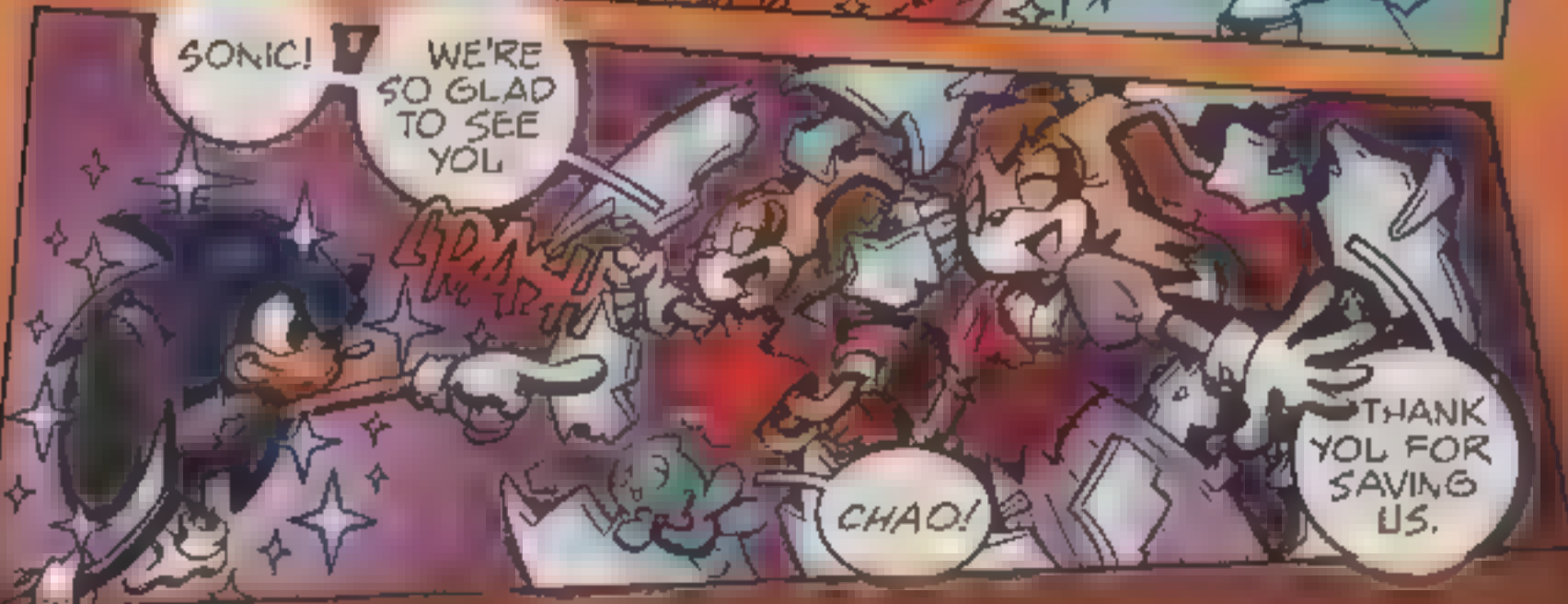
YOW! WHAT IS THAT?

I DON'T KNOW.

BUT I FEEL LIKE I CAN DO ANYTHING!



I'M INVULNERABLE!

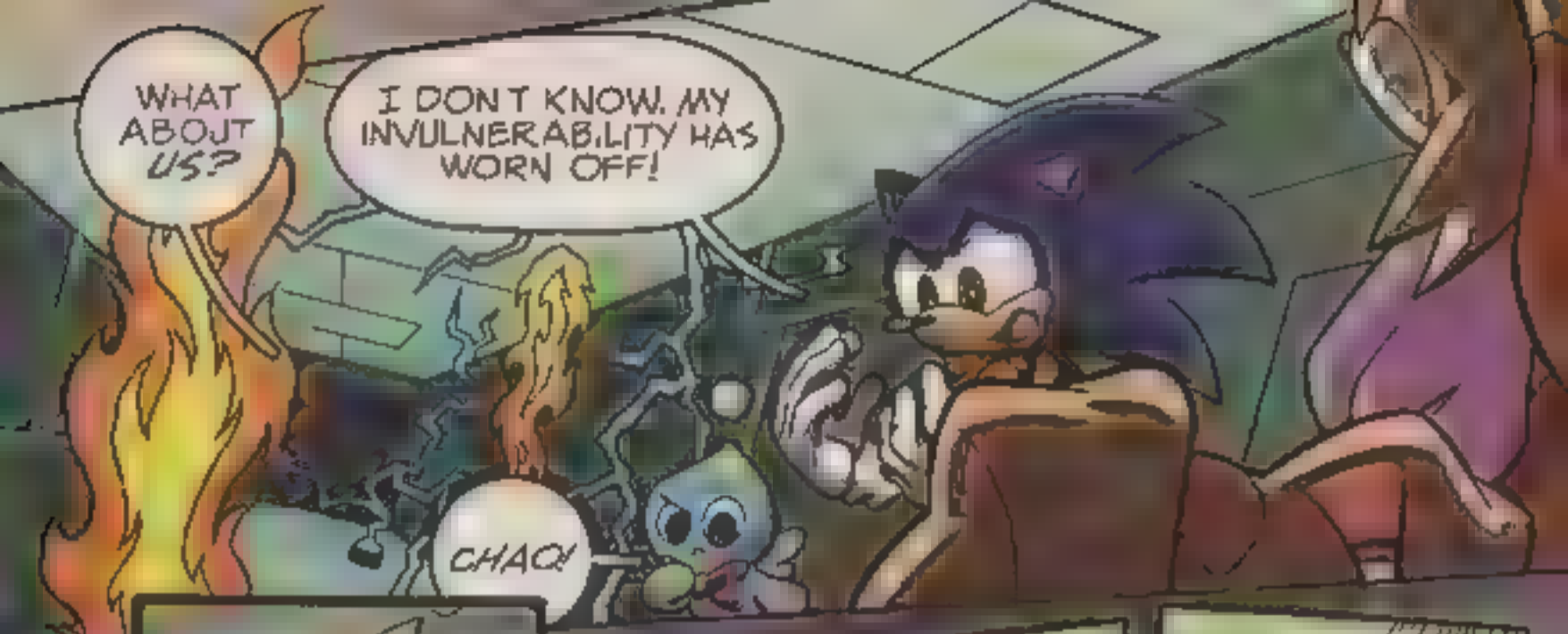


SONIC!

WE'RE SO GLAD TO SEE YOU!

CHAO!

THANK YOU FOR SAVING US.



WHAT ABOUT US?

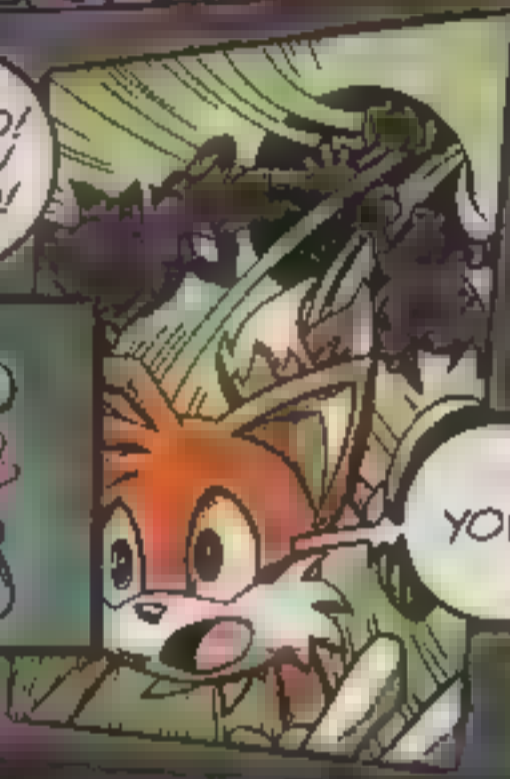
I DON'T KNOW. MY INVULNERABILITY HAS WORN OFF!

CHAO!

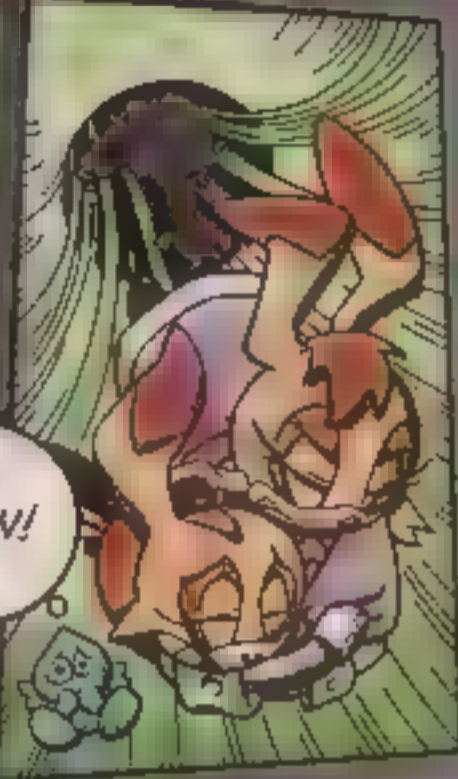


CHAO!
CHAO!
CHAO!

PRESS



YOW!



PREPARE TO MEET YOUR ENDS! THIS IS THE FINAL STAGE! HA HAHahaha!



HEH HEH!

I HAVE ALMOST WON!

FIVE...FOUR...THREE...TWO MORE HITS AND HIS FRIENDS WILL GET THE SURPRISE OF THEIR LIVES!

TWO HITS, ONE HIT! NOW!

LAUNCH SEQUENCE ACTIVATED...! THIRTY SECONDS TO KA-BLOEY.

OF COURSE, WE ALL KNOW HOW MUCH DR. EGGMAN LOVES TO COUNT HIS EGGS BEFORE THEY'RE HATCHED.

HE DIDN'T COUNT ON CHRIS AND CHUCK INFILTRATING HIS OLD BEACHFRONT LAIR.

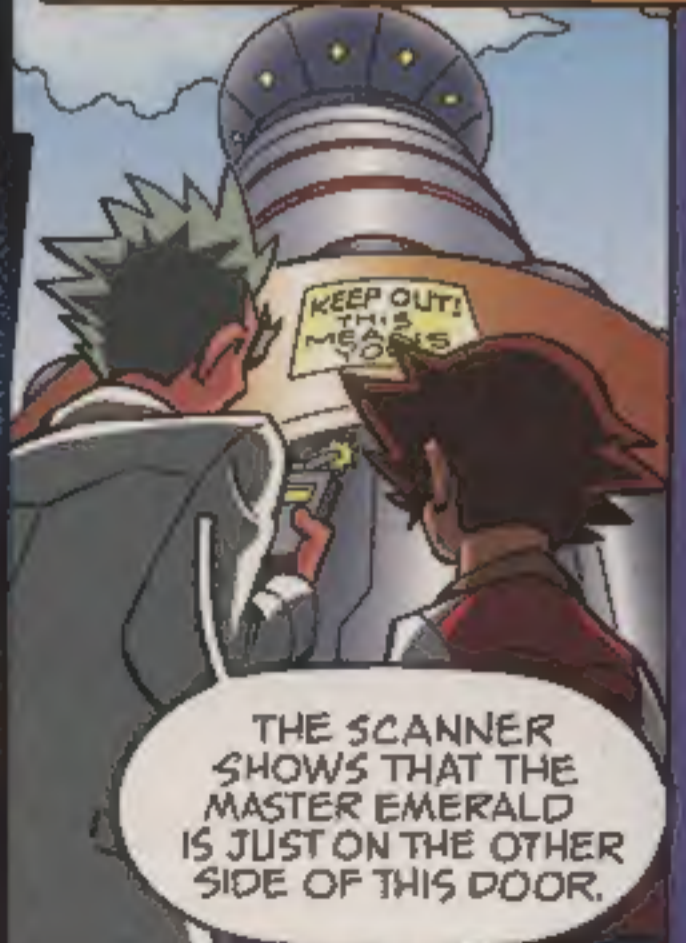
KA-BLOEY

NOW IT'S BANG, ZOOM, TO THE MOON!

AND NO ONE CAN STOP ME NOW!



HAHAHAHAHAHA



THE SCANNER SHOWS THAT THE MASTER EMERALD IS JUST ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS DOOR.

SONIC!

TWENTY-FIVE SECONDS TO LAUNCH!

TWENTY SECONDS TO LAUNCH!

WHAT HAPPENED?

SONIC, YOU'VE GOT TO MOVE FAST. EGG-MAN HAS THIS PLACE SET TO LAUNCH TO THE MOON IN TWENTY SECONDS!

FIFTEEN SECONDS TO LAUNCH!

IT'S DRAWING POWER FROM THE MASTER EMERALD!

EVERYBODY! GET OUT OF HERE AS FAST AS YOU CAN!

MASTER EMERALD DISCONNECTED.

LAUNCH ABORTED.

SYSTEMS OVERLOADED.

SYSTEMS WILL TERMINATE IN FORTY-TWO SECONDS!

EVACLUATE PREMISES IMMEDIATELY!

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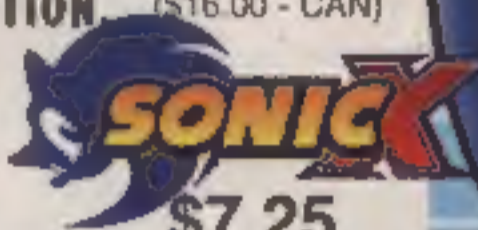
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IT APPEARS EGGMAN TRAPPED YOU IN A VIRTUAL REALITY WORLD THAT WAS PRIMED TO LAUNCH YOU INTO SPACE WHEN YOU REACHED A CERTAIN LEVEL.

OF COURSE. WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT?

WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE WE DID IT AGAIN.

WOW, YOU GUYS WE'RE GREAT!

GUYS?! THE GIRLS STOLE THE SHOW!

DIDN'T EGGMAN'S LAIR BLOW UP A LONG TIME AGO

THINK SO.

WAS THAT SUPPOSED TO HAPPEN?

NO! SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS HAVE FOILED MY PLANS YET AGAIN!

BUT I SHALL HAVE MY REVENGE ONCE I'VE DESTROYED EARTH'S MOON.

ARE WE GOING TO HAVE TO REBUILD THE OLD LAB AGAIN?

WAH! WE'RE OUT OF ICE CREAM!

AFTER A QUICK TRIP TO THE SUPERMARKET FOR MORE ICE CREAM, DOCTOR EGGMAN PUT HIS PLANS FOR THE MOON INTO ACTION, BUT HIS EVIL SCHEME WAS DEFEATED BY SONIC (OF COURSE!).

WITH EGGMAN, DECOE, AND BOCOE IN PRISON FOR THE CRIMES OF EGGMAN CORPORATION, HOW WILL SONIC THE HEDGEHOG KEEP HIMSELF ENTERTAINED?

FIND OUT IN SONIC X #12 ... "ATTACK FROM AREA 99!"

LOOK FOR THE NEWEST ISSUE OF SONIC THE HEDGEHOG # 165 FOR MORE SONIC ADVENTURE!